

AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated below. The language being added is underlined ("___") and the language being deleted contains strikethrough ("—"):

1. (currently amended) A method for providing status information from a mobile unit, comprising the steps of:

determining a report interval based upon a broadcast status criteria that includes a plurality of programmable criterions wherein the programmable criterions and associated report intervals are alterable via remote commands; and

transmitting current status data at the report interval.
2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining the broadcast criteria includes determining if an external power source is currently connected to the mobile unit.
3. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining the broadcast criteria includes determining if an external sensor has changed status.
4. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining the broadcast criteria includes determining if the mobile unit has entered or exited a predetermined geographical zone.
5. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining the broadcast criteria includes determining if the mobile unit has triggered a preset alarm.

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6. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of determining if the mobile unit has triggered a predetermined alarm includes determining if the mobile unit has exceeded a predetermined speed limit.
7. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of determining if the mobile unit has triggered a predetermined alarm includes determining if the mobile unit has exited a geographically defined zone.
8. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of determining if the mobile unit has triggered a predetermined alarm includes determining if the mobile unit has moved during a predetermined time period.
9. (previously canceled).
10. (currently amended) A system for providing status information from a mobile unit, comprising:
 - an all-inclusive container with a connector for an external power source;
 - an internal power supply chargeable by the external power source;
 - an internal global positioning receiver connected to the internal power supply;
 - an internal processor coupled to the global positioning receiver wherein the processor determines a broadcast criteria based upon a plurality of programmable criterions wherein the programmable criterions and associated report intervals are alterable via remote commands;
 - internal memory coupled to the processor wherein the memory stores the the programmable criterions and associated report intervals;

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an internal radio modem coupled to the processor operable to receive remote commands to alter the programmable criteria and associated report intervals; and
an internal antenna coupled to the radio modem.

11. (currently amended) A system for providing status information from an intelligent mobile unit, comprising:

an all-in-one box mobile unit comprising:

a container with an external power source connection and at least one external sensor signal connection comprising:

an internal power supply chargeable by the external power source;

an internal global positioning receiver connected to the internal power supply;

an internal processor coupled to the global positioning receiver wherein the processor transmits current status data based upon a plurality of programmable criteria wherein the programmable criteria and associated report intervals are alterable via remote commands;

internal memory coupled to the processor wherein the memory stores the programmable criteria and associated report intervals;

an internal radio modem coupled to the processor operable to receive remote commands to alter the programmable criteria and associated report intervals; and

an internal antenna coupled to the radio modem;

a wireless network wherein the wireless network receives wireless data packets transmitted from the radio modem;

a host system that receives data packets from the wireless network and stores the data packet information on a storage mechanism; and

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a global computer network for delivering a status request to the host system wherein the global computer network delivers the status information based upon the stored data packet information.

12. - 19. (previously canceled)